

REMARKS

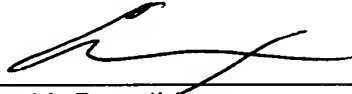
The present Amendment amends claims 1, 10, 16, 19, 21, and 24 and leaves claims 2-5, 7-9, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, and 25-48 unchanged. Therefore, the present application has pending claims 1-5, 7-12, 14, and 16-48.

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (TMI-5362).

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